

WETHERBUZZ

2021/22 | Autumn Term | Week 6



WEEK 6 — Monday 11th to Sunday 17th October 2021

Monday 11th October:

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Year 6 ISEB Pre-Test
- U11 A, B, C, D, H, I, J vs. Notting Hill Prep (H) - 2.15pm Return 3.45pm
- U11 E, F, G vs. Garden House (H) - 2:15pm Return 3.45pm

AFTERNOON CLUBS:

- Advanced Drama,
- Coding,
- Debating LS,
- Football 3-5,
- Homework Club,
- Indoor Sports,
- Fencing Year 3 and 4,
- Rock Band Year 7,
- Rock Climbing,
- Wetherby Voices

Tuesday 12th October:

- Year 6 ISEB Pre-Test
- U9 A – I vs. St Anthony's (H) - 2.15pm Return 3.45pm
- Year 7 & 8 London Swim League Competition, St Paul's Junior School – 4:30pm
- Teach Meet – 16:30pm

MORNING CLUBS:

- Dodgeball,
- Guitar Ensemble,
- Mental Maths,
- Rock Band,
- Tennis Club,
- Touch Typing

AFTERNOON CLUBS:

- Arts and Crafts,
- Upper School Chess,
- Upper School Choir,
- Coding Creative App Design,
- Homework Club,
- Mythology,
- Quiz Club,
- Rock Band,
- Fencing Upper School

Wednesday 13th October:

- Year 6 ISEB Pre-Test
- Breakfast Concert – 8:15am
- U12 A and U12 B vs. King's House School (H) - 2.15pm Return 3.45pm
- U13 B, U13C, U13D, U12 C, U12D v King's House School (A) - 2.15pm - Return 5pm
- U13 ISFA Round 2 vs. Great Walstead (H) 2.15pm
- Senior Management Team Meeting – 3-4pm
- Wetherby Prep School Open Evening - 6pm

MORNING CLUBS:

- Card Tricks and Magic,
- Handwriting,
- Running,
- Rock Band,
- Swimming Lower School,
- Swimming Upper School,
- Tennis Club

AFTERNOON CLUBS:

- Chess Year 5,
- Coding,
- Cookery,
- Drawing,
- French Homework,
- Music Composers,
- Reasoning,
- Rock Climbing,
- String Ensemble,
- Swimming Year 3 and 4,
- Table Tennis,
- Fencing Year 5

Thursday 14th October:

- Year 6 ISEB Pre-Test
- U10 A – I vs. King's House School (A) - 2.15pm - Return 3.45pm
- School Management Meeting – 4:30-5pm

MORNING CLUBS:

- Arts and Crafts,
- Football,
- Mental Maths,
- Swimming Lower School,
- Swimming Upper School
- Wind Band

AFTERNOON CLUBS:

- Advanced Fencing,
- Chess Year 3 and 4,
- Creative Writing,
- Dodgeball,
- Homework Club,
- Maths Revision,
- Mythology,
- Phantom Comics,
- Rock Band,
- Science

Friday 15th October:

- Staff Meeting - 8am
- Whole School Assembly at Church of Annunciation and streamed **LIVE on Instagram**  - 8:30-9:30am
- U11 ISFA Regional Round at WSG – 10am - 2pm
- Friday pm Club Programme
- **Half term – 16th - 31st October**

Saturday 16th October:

- Thomas's Battersea U10 Football Competition

Sunday 17th October:

From the Headmaster



Dear Parents,

Busy Wetherby Prep this week and as we gradually transition out of previous Covid restrictions, educational and social events that were always part of our calendar re-emerge in the diary. As maybe the best example of how things have changed came on Tuesday when we held the annual 'Guide to Senior Schools'. This was advertised as an 'in person audience' event but we also broadcast the event live on Zoom. 62 parents attended in the Pioneer Hall...and 74 attended online, with 28 (to date) watching the event on '[catch up](#)' (password: event5.10.21). This is almost certainly how things will occur in the future and, to be honest, it's fine by us; we have always been prepared to move with the times and make things as convenient and accessible for our parents and boys.

On Wednesday, a number of staff were honoured to be invited to Winfield House, home of the US Ambassador to the UK. With our school community's own long-standing 'special relationship' with our US friends, it was no surprise to bump into a number of past WPS parents at Winfield. One, who is known to many of our current boys and parents, told me that she had heard from one of her patients that the Kindness 'Cup' was now a Kindness 'Bowl' and that it could fit even more sweets into its cavernous recess. As a dentist, she was understandably not best pleased to hear this, but delighted to keep pace with WPS developments nonetheless! As always, it is so lovely and reassuring to hear how past parents and boys look back so fondly on their time here; treasure every day as I do boys – we pass through Wetherby Prep for a relatively short period of our lives but those few years are some of the most memorable that we will experience.

Have a good weekend,

Nick Baker

Staff News

I am delighted to announce that **Miss Caitlin Sheldon** is expecting a baby later this term. Caitlin will continue to work at Wetherby for the two weeks after Half Term but from November 1st we welcome **Miss Tanvi Punatar** to the school. Tanvi was a straight 'A' student at North London Collegiate School before reading Classics at UCL. After that she completed her PGCE and worked on the curriculum and development side of the company 'Eleven Plus Exams UK' alongside her first teaching position. She will teach English and Maths and be form tutor to 5S from Half Term but we will also be utilising our current staff to cover Caitlin's timetable. Those classes affected will be communicated to separately.

Mrs Alice Furnell, **Mrs Gayle Marshall** and **Mrs Natasha Gourlay** are also expecting babies and will be leaving the school on maternity leave at Christmas (Alice) and at the end of February (Gayle and Natasha). We are actively looking to replace their teaching and management commitments with both internal and external appointments; we are indeed hopeful of bringing back an 'old favourite' from years gone by to Wetherby Prep – more news of which when I have firmed this up.

Miss Deborah Kroiter, who many of you know is engaged to be married next year, is leaving the School at the end of this term after nine years as she is relocating to Kent with her fiancé. 'Debs' has been a valued colleague at Wetherby Prep over the years and will be sorely missed by everyone here. Her Head of Year 5 and 6 position will be filled internally and announced in due course.



Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is Zachary M in 8A.

Zachary has produced the most brilliant School Magazine (attached to this Wetherbuzz Email) with interesting and witty articles. His commitment to the project has been exemplary and his sense of pride in the final production there for all to see. Well done, Zachary!



Sportsman of the Week

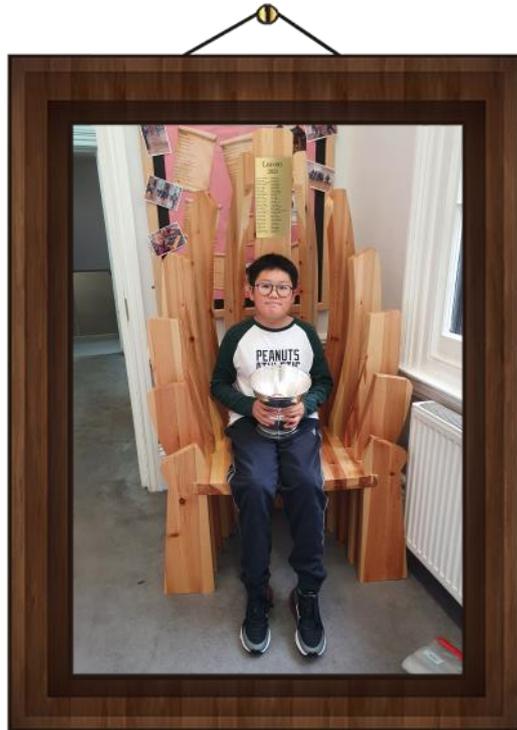
This week's Sportsman of the Week is Taymour A in 8O.

Back in Year 4, Taymour was in the 'C' team and has risen through the teams to be a key player in the U13 A Team. Playing at left back, he scored his first Wetherby Prep goal this week—well done, Taymour!



Class-Achievement

Kindness Cup



Bohan P 7C

During the Drama trip to London Dungeons, even though I didn't know Bohan, he was so kind and looked after me through the dark and scary bits! *Alexander T-W*

Other notable 'Acts of Kindness'

♦ Harry C 6C

He was so helpful just now as he went around the classroom and tucked all the boys' chairs in after them and put the books away. He wasn't doing it for any other reason than out of kindness as I just asked boys to leave to their next class and didn't mention tidiness! Really kind gesture - what a lad! *Miss Kroiter*

♦ Aran M 8O

Aran immediately helped me when I was struggling to carry lots of stuff. *Mrs Lock*

♦ Alexander T-W 6M

Shout out to former 4H'er Alexander now 6M. During our Science lesson on Monday one of our many tangents led the class to a discussion of our favourite foods which caused Alexander and I to discuss our mutual affection for cheese pies, a classic Greek dish. Fast forward to Tuesday morning and Alexander turns up at the science office with two of the aforementioned pastries to share. Hugely impressed with this kind and considerate show of generosity. *Mr Hallett*

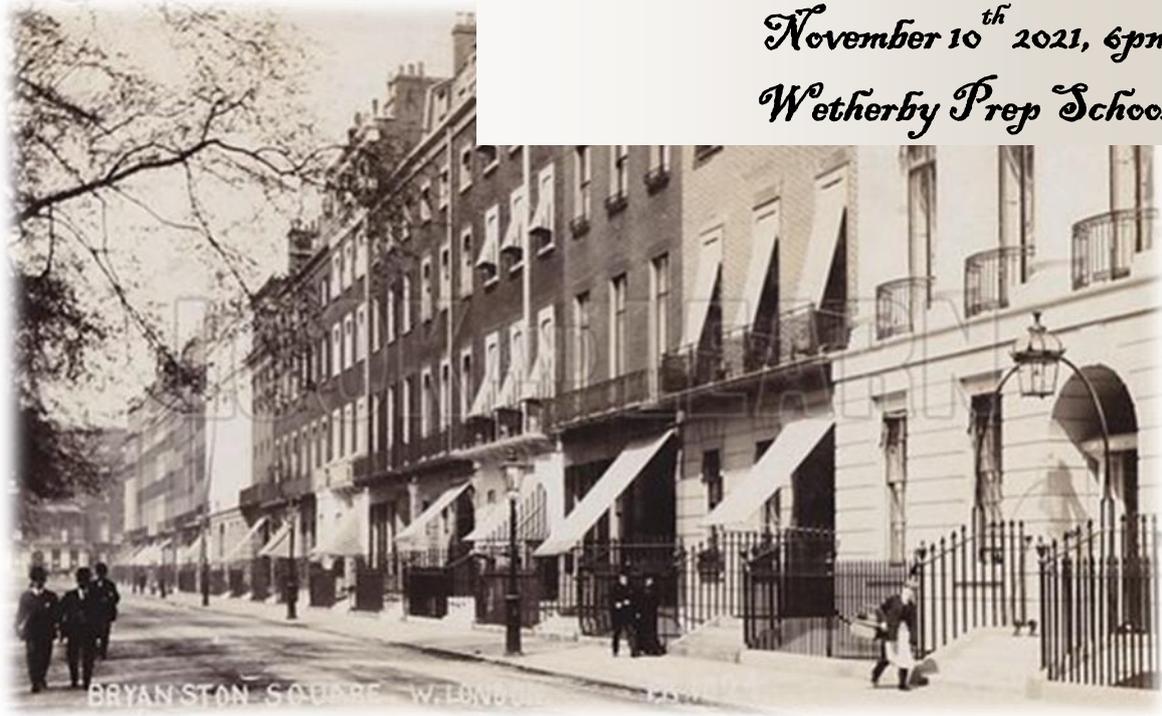
Notices

Tales from Bryanston Square

An Advanced Drama Production

November 10th 2021, 6pm

Wetherby Prep School



On Wednesday 10th November, the Advanced Drama Group will be presenting the premier of 'Tales from Bryanston Square'; an immersive theatre experience exploring the history of the school building and the characters that have passed through it.

Tickets are £5 each, with all money going to the Theatre Support Fund.

The show starts at **6pm**.

Please book tickets through www.parentpay.com

'Tales from Bryanston Square.'

Tickets will be sent to you upon booking.

We look forward to welcoming you on the 10th of November...

Mr Dean writes...

Wetherby Prep Autumn Half-Term Clubs

Dear Parents,

Please see the link below for details of the Wetherby Prep clubs that are running over the half-term break, Monday 18th October – Friday 29th October.

<https://sites.google.com/wetherbyprepstudents.co.uk/clubsinformation/home>

- **Football Club** - Monday 18th – Friday 29th October
- **Adventure Club** - Monday 18th – Wednesday 20th October & Monday 25th – 27th October
- **Art Workshop** – Tuesday 19th October
- **Halloween Holiday History** - Monday 18th – Wednesday 20th
- **Table Tennis Boot Camp** - Monday 18th – Wednesday 20th
- **Detectives Club** – Monday 18th & Monday 25th October

I trust your son will find something that takes his interest.

Boys are very welcome to mix and match clubs.

Please direct any enquires or signups to the lead teacher for the specific club.

Regards,

Dean Bayes
Wetherby Prep Holiday Clubs Coordinator

Miss Ogden writes...

'Lost' water bottles

We have amassed quite a collection of 'lost' water bottles at reception. If your son is missing his or you recognise one from the photo please ask him to collect it. Any unclaimed bottles will be thrown away at the end of the half term. Thank you



School Council

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 5th October 2021

Time: 8:30am

Attendance: Chair of School Council- Finn Clapham, School Council Representatives and PLT

Issues/Ideas brought up during meeting and action plan:

- Really great having chicken sandwiches on a Friday - thank you, kitchen staff, for organizing this for us.
- We have noticed that there are at times lots of sandwiches not eaten - School Council reps to monitor this and let Miss Lister know next week.
- Science Department think that separate books for Upper School boys for Chemistry, Biology and Physics is a great idea - they will look into this.
- Could we have chicken burgers instead of beef burgers?
- Basketball Club, VR Club?
- Pasta station - a few different types of pasta and option of a few different sauces.
- Cakes for dessert once a week.
- Weekly Science challenge. Questions or word search.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 12th October at 8:30am in the Small Dining Room.

Art Department

Mrs Garvey writes...

Acrylic Paintings in the style of Kurt Jackson

Year 6 have been learning how to build up acrylic paintings in the style of British artist, Kurt Jackson. They started by building up layers of tissue paper to create texture in certain areas of their canvases. They have now moved on to the first layers of acrylic paint. The results are looking very promising – well done, boys! Keep up the good work.





This week in History



4th October:

1922 - Work by the sculptor Gutzen Barglum begins on Mount Rushmore

1954 - Marilyn Monroe announces her intention to divorce Joe DiMaggio (a renowned Baseball player)

1957 - The space race begins when the Soviet Union launches the first artificial satellite 'SPUTNIK'

1965 - Pope Paul V becomes the first Pope to visit the United States

5th October:

1947 - President Harry Truman delivered the first televised presidential address from the White House

1962 - The Beatles release their first single in the UK 'Love me do'

6th October:

1926 - Babe Ruth sets a new record in the World Series with three home runs and a 10-5 win over the Cardinals

1927 - 'The Jazz Singer' premiered in New York bringing the era of silent movies to a close

7th October:

1982 - The musical 'Cats' opens on Broadway

8th October:

1871 - The Great Chicago fire started and burned for three days

1919 - The first transcontinental air race in the US begins with 63 planes competing between California and New York

9th October:

1934 - King Alexander I of Yugoslavia is shot and assassinated

1936 - The Hoover Dam begins creating hydroelectric power

1940 - The St. Paul's Cathedral dome takes a direct hit from a Nazi bomb

10th October:

1999 - Thousands assemble to watch the London Eye be positioned as a new landmark



Wetherby Sport

Mr Trencher writes...

Sports Report

The week was kicked off by the under elevens, in a round of six fixtures against Fulham Prep and North Bridge House. Once again, the boys treated us with 32 goals on show across the six games, and some beautiful football. The A team picked up a great win by three goals to Fulham Prep's one, with Dylan E another standout performer for his side. The G Team also put on a great spectacle, with the encounter producing seven goals, with Wetherby picking up a totally dominant 6-1 win, greatly inspired by Alvaro C, who played a huge part in the victory. Elsewhere, Rex S, Levi D and Jonas O also caught the eye with their performances, superb football from the boys in black and red.

The U9s also treated us to some great football, with some high scoring games. The A-Team picked up an impressive 2-0 win, with the much-improved Faris O being seemingly unbeatable in goal on the day. Clearly, he has been watching too many You Tube videos of Watford's Ben Foster! The B team treated us to a great show with a scintillating win against Caldicott Prep, with Ricky A impressing in the victory by 6-1. The team also played out an entertaining game, in a 3-3 draw. The E and F teams were unlucky to be pipped to victory by Caldicott, with Leo W and Kosei M yet again being standout performers for their sides.

The U10s travelled to South London to attend the 7-a-side tournament against Dulwich College. They boys played some outstanding football and finishing top of the group. They progressed into the winners group and held their own finishing second. Outstanding display of sportsmanship from all boys displayed Wetherby Prep sport in the highest regard.

The Under 13 A team picked up a superb nine-one win over North Bridge, with John C setting the tone, with a few great goals and some great overall play. This was a brilliant result for the first team, and provided a great opportunity for a few B team players to show their skills in the As, whom all held their own superbly. The B team also returned home victorious from their trip to North Bridge House, with Sean S-S's performance one to note.

However, it was the revamped franchise series that really caught the eye, with Mr Morrison and Mr Criddle's inaugural 'Custard Cream Cup', involving plenty of drama, including a final penalty shootout. The Oreos came out eventual winners after a tense shootout and took the highly sought after prize of custard cream biscuits, back to their dressing room.

The week was rounded off with 9 games being held at the Wetherby Sports Ground. We welcomed Ravenscourt Park and Fulham Prep for an action-packed afternoon. The A team looked to build on the success from their mid-week tournament and they certainly did that. A great five – one win over Ravenscourt Park with Lorenzo G putting in a top-class performance. Leo Varkey put in a great performance to bring home the win for the E Team.

Another great week of sport at Wetherby Prep.

Enrichment

Miss Preece and Miss Wood write...

Y3 & Y4 Skills Day



Last Thursday, Year 3 and Year 4 were involved in a half-day skills workshop, where they worked in groups to complete a super science experiment. Boys focused on key skills such as presentational skills, comprehension, recording and analysing data and working as a team. Teachers were only there to facilitate the learning, stretching students' independence, and it was fantastic watching the boys working as teams throughout the day.

Here's what the boys had to say...

'I enjoyed doing the experiments as a team and getting to know other boys in my year group!'
Alistair Burgess-Hume

'I liked Science Vegas because it had fun experiments and it was very social.' Ashvin Thind

'I really liked the activities!' Charlie Chandler

'I liked the way the experiments were fun, and everyone got to do something.' Kian Alawi





Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3H	Maxim V	6C	Nathan R
4M	James B	6E	Henry S
4P	Alistair B H	6F	Hugo S
4S	Armaan C	6M	Miles C
4T	Ulysse P	7B	Elias R
5F	Hugo J	7C	Felix R
5K	Evo S	7H	Ethan R
5L	Philip M	7L	Harish R
5S	Ned R	8A	Federico R
		8C	Felix von S
		8O	Taymour A
		8T	Dexter B
		8V	Finlay D

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Felix v S—40

Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Form 4S 160	Form 7B and 8V 149	Form 5L 142

Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Westbourne Captain C. Paolini	Chepstow Captain K. Kar	Pembridge Captain F. von Saher	Dawson Captain A. Govindan
730	594	508	412

Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Westbourne Captain C. Paolini	Chepstow Captain K. Kar	Pembridge Captain F. von Saher	Dawson Captain A. Govindan
2428	2227	1996	1689

Out of School Achievements

D'S brothers' heroics on the Squash Court



Royal Automobile Club Junior Squash Tournament:

Zubin: Winner U9

Ratan: Runner up U11



London and South East Counties Regional Closed 2021:

Ratan: Boys' U11 Plate Champion

Photos of the Week

French Breakfast







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